

STATE OF TEXAS            }  
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COUNTY OF CONCHO        }

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF CONCHO COUNTY, TEXAS**, met in Regular Term on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023 at Paint Rock, Texas, in the District Courtroom, Second Floor, after proper notice to the public for the proper length of time, being Notice #6375, with the following members present, to-wit:

- David Dillard, County Judge, presiding;
- Trey Bradshaw, Commissioner, Precinct #1;
- Eric Gully, Commissioner, Precinct #2;
- Gary Gierisch, Commissioner, Precinct #3;
- Keith Dillard, Commissioner, Precinct #4;
- Amber Hall, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court; and

Jenifer Gierisch, County Treasurer; Scott Spoons, Justice of the Peace; Chad Miller, County Sheriff; Brent Frazier, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Stella and Steven Rangel; Ofilia Gonzales, Kaylee Batko, Milissa Wright, Concho County 4H; when the following business was transacted, to-wit:

Judge Dillard called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and gave the invocation.

**WELCOME AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**CONCHO COUNTY 4H AMBASSADORS TO SPEAK TO COMMISSIONER’S COURT – NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

Ofilia Gonzales and Kaylee Batko, 4H Ambassadors spoke to Commissioners about the upcoming activities that 4H and the 4H Ambassadors are promoting this year. Milissa Wright spoke about the Family Community Health program and informed the Commissioners that Eden CISD applied and was recognized as a Healthy School Recognized Campus. See Exhibit “A”

**CONSIDER BURN BAN**

The burn ban is going to stay in effect. No action taken.

**RECEIVE COMMISSIONER’S ROAD REPORTS**

All Commissioner Road Reports received. See Exhibit “B”

**CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE AIR CONDITIONING OPTIONS FOR ARCHIVE BUILDING – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

The air conditioner was out in the Archive Building. Bowles Heating and Cooling filled up the freon in the unit. Bowles gave a quote for different options for the Archive Building. The Commissioners were given the options and requested we get more quotes before making a decision. See Exhibit “C”

**CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE BOND RENEWAL FOR CHAD MILLER, TAX-ASSESSOR COLLECTOR – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Gierisch to approve the bond renewal for Chad Miller, Tax-Assessor Collector, duly seconded by Commissioner Dillard. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE INCREASE IN JUROR PAYMENT – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

Ms. Gierisch advised the Commissioners that the minimum pay rate for Jurors is going up from \$10 to \$20 for the first day of service, and any subsequent days after, the pay will go from \$40 to \$58. Ms. Gierisch asked if the Commissioners would raise the minimum subsequent day rate to \$60, so it is an even number to help with any possible accounting errors. It was also presented to the commissioners that if someone is chosen for any jury, the pay for the first day is the same as someone who shows up and is not chosen; would the Commissioners agree to pay someone that is chosen for a jury the first day an extra \$40, since they end up staying all day. Motion was made by Commissioner Gierisch to acknowledge the increase in the first day pay for jurors from \$10 to \$20, and increase the subsequent days’ pay to \$60, as well as increasing the pay for chosen jurors by \$40 the first day, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CONCHO COUNTY AND EDEN CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

Sheriff Miller and Chief Deputy Frazier explained what all schools are required to have this school year in reference to security. Eden CISD opted for a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sheriff's Office and Paint Rock ISD opted for the Guardian Program. Motion was made by Commissioner Gierisch to accept the Interlocal Agreement with Concho County and Eden CISD and allow Judge Dillard to sign for the County, duly seconded by Commissioner Dillard. Motion carried unanimously. See Exhibit "D"

**CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MHMR CONCHO VALLEY AND CONCHO COUNTY – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

This Interlocal Agreement is done annually and will be from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. Motion was made by Commissioner Bradshaw to accept the Interlocal Agreement and allow Judge Dillard to sign for the County, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. Motion carried unanimously. See Exhibit "E"

**CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE THE USE OF THE COURTROOM FOR WEDDING RECEPTIONS – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

Judge Dillard advised the Commissioners that the courtroom was requested to be used for a wedding reception. The Commissioners discussed it, and a motion was made by Judge Dillard denying the request for the use of the courtroom for any types of receptions, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. Motion carried unanimously to deny the request.

The court took a recess at 10:40 a.m. to read through the previous meetings' minutes and accounts payable.

The court went back into session at 10:52 a.m. from recess.

**APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Motion was made by Commissioner Gully, duly seconded by Commissioner Gierisch to approve the minutes for July 25, 2023, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**RECEIVE COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

Ms. Gierisch presented the County Treasurer's Report. Motion was made by Commissioner Gully to accept the County Treasurer's Report, duly seconded by Commissioner Dillard. Motion carried unanimously. See Exhibit "F"

**CONSIDER/APPROVE ALL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR CONCHO COUNTY – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

Ms. Gierisch presented the monthly Accounts Payable Claim Register for August 1, 2023, to August 7, 2023. She advised that she did not include the mileage for Precinct 3, on accident. If the Commissioner's would approve adding \$438.85 to be paid to Commissioner Gierisch, she would add that amount to the Accounts Payable. Motion was made by Commissioner Gully, duly seconded by Commissioner Bradshaw, to approve and pay all accounts due and owing by Concho County, as well as adding \$438.85 to be paid to Commissioner Gierisch, with the total being \$66,558.18, with the addition. Motion carried 4-0-1, with Commissioner Gierisch abstaining. See Exhibit "G"

**REPORTS, INFORMATION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

Ms. Gierisch has the Wildlife Services Report if anyone would like to see it. See Exhibit "H". On August 3<sup>rd</sup> the Treasurer received \$14,989.26 from the Concho Central Appraisal District, the breakdown being M&O - \$12,516.43, I&S – \$2.65, and Special Road and Bridge - \$2,470.18. See Exhibit "I". Ms. Gierisch has the JP's report for July as well as the Clerk's report for July. See Exhibits "J" and "K" respectively.

Commissioner Gully said that Mereta VFD approached him to write them a letter of recommendation for a new building. He will need to speak to Ginger to make sure there are no issues with that.

Commissioner Gully said that he is going to put in a bigger water tank and new PVC so he can hold more water at the Precinct Barn.

Commissioner Gully also spoke with Mark Baxter with Warren CAT, who advised that the county would be better off staying with the leasing options for maintainers and loaders.

Commissioner Dillard paid the bill for his loader that had been struck by lightning. He also said that it is going to cost \$63,000 to fix his maintainer that was struck by lightning. It will be submitted to the insurance company.

There will be a Special Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Beefmasters in Ballinger, with no discussions being had, today, August 8, 2023. There will also be a Budget Workshop to be held this afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the courtroom, after lunch.

There BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OR ACTIONS to come before this regular session of the Commissioners Court, said session was adjourned by County Judge Dillard on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023 at 11:14 a.m.

David Dillard  
DAVID DILLARD, COUNTY JUDGE

Trey Bradshaw  
TREY BRADSHAW, COMM., PCT #1

Eric Gully  
ERIC GULLY, COMM., PCT #2

Gary Gierisch  
GARY GIERISCH, COMM., PCT #3

Keith Dillard  
KEITH DILLARD, COMM., PCT #4

CORRECT ATTEST:

Amber Hall  
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COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO  
CLERK OF COMMISSIONERS COURT OF  
CONCHO COUNTY, TEXAS

